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Applicants: SAMESHIMA, et al
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DISTRIBUTED INFORMATION
Group: 2771
Examiner: R. Ho

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 13, 1999

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully
submitted prior to the Rule 53(b) Continuation Application
filed on even date.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert before the first line of the specification
the following:

A/ This is a continuation of application Serial No.
09/048,989, filed March 27, 1998. A/

REMARKS

Entry of the above amendments prior to examination is
respectfully requested.